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Serial Nos

Part B for December 25

SUBJECT

Construction of Arjaneyaswami Temple
near the western gate of the Hind Fara
at Kumbhalgarh -

W.L. 4407 of 10/12/25 to P.C. D. M. K. K.
deposited in the records

19/12/25

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Construction of Anyameyaswami temple
at Kumbhal

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The Deputy Commr Kumbhal District

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BRI ABSTRACT OF LETTER

Brings to the notice of Govt the conduct of Mr M. Rama swamiya the previous Amildar of Kumbhal in connection with the grant on the lands responsibility of the temple to construct an Anyameyaswami temple near the Western gate of the Shri Farm in direct violation of the Govt orders in the subject.

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States also that under the circumstances explained in the above letter he is strongly of opinion that some notice should be taken of the conduct of this Amildar who has handled the affairs in a highly irresponsible manner in direct violation of Govt orders and with utter disregard to the interests of our people and the institutions in and around the Kumbhal District.

(2) It is the duty of the Municipal Council also to serve the people and as you have seen their anxiety to lend their support to the high hand.

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action of the Amildar President, they fail to exercise proper discretion

(3) that he is of opinion that the construction of the temple on the site in question be also prohibited for reasons detailed in the letter

Subd for orders

With 9/1/24. There has been no doubt a misstatement of facts on the part of the Amildar President - ~~is he~~ as he has on 21/3/23 stated that in that case a license may come" (Pl. C) but has stated on 8/6/23 that no such permission is granted (Pl. D)

What is stated is "no permission is granted to build a new place of worship though it has been previously resolved by the Mand Council that license may come" 5 In the license forms are endorsed as "the friend to the party" & the other as "copy to Santhi Singh Kumbhar" These endorsements have been made by the ~~Amildar President~~ & not the President "Mand" but not correct. This is not stated to that when this was made correct be stated

6 The Mand Council is perhaps more to blame than the Amildar President - Although the President states

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Subd with copies of circulars referred to in the Dy Commr's letter (Flagged W X & Y)

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a Mahayan hepu is one of the
yet a hepu was ordered to be issued
on the statement of the new President
that in the face of the Council Resolution,
the Mahayan of Agnish cannot be
acted upon. ~~That~~ That at all, the
new President seems to be the moving
spirit, though he says the Amildan
President should have ^{himself in doing} brought the
order of the H.P. & in ^{such} matters
~~of the kind~~ His explanation
may perhaps be obtained also.

7 The H.P. & wants to know that the
M.C. could be answered & order comes for
prohibiting the construction of a temple.

8 The H.P. & has under Sect 174 (1)
of the M.C. Regulation power to issue
needful order in ~~the~~ ^{the} respect in this
respect.

L. L. (Secy)

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~~As much as possible~~
~~Some action to be taken against the~~
~~Amildan~~

9 He may be asked to comply with
the provisions of ^{L.S. (174(2))} of Section 174
of the M.C. Regulation & pass an
order in writing under his signature
& forward to M.C. Council & Govt.

The Govt. can only take action

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after an order is submitted
to it

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10 After perusal of the Order & the reasons therefor & hearing the representations of the Council, the Govt. can either rescind the order or confirm it ^{or modify} under S. 5 2 of Sec 174 of the Regula.

The Govt. can only take such action as it thinks desirable to maintain discipline after hearing both sides & after taking passing orders under Sec 174.

11 D.C. wishes to pass structures on the members of Council. But without hearing what the Council has to say, it is difficult to take any action against the Council. It is not known under what authority D.C. has made this report. He has not followed the procedure laid down in Sec 174 (2nd member)

S.S.
20/2/24

12 The D.C. may be asked to take action under Sec 174 of the Regs.

13 The D.C. has made another report against the same Amildars to the Rev. Com. & the Amis. Encls. is being taken by the Rev. Com. It is not probably advisable to take his Encls. as President, as he is on the Council, but this file will also have to be taken into consideration when the D.C. report comes up from Rev. Dept. & Rev. Secy may be informed accordingly.

Submitted to Dewan for ^{De} 24/2/24

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17. The file will first be sent to the
Revenue Secretariat for noting the Secretary's
remarks & returning the file early.

L. L. Singh)

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8.5.25

19 (R. S. Singh)

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20 Please note

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21. Note: This file will be returned to the L.S.O. Branch

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L.S.O. Branch)

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23. Please prepare a draft

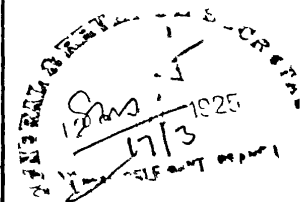
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24. Subd with a draft letter to the Dy Comm
for approval

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25. Done
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not 6604 A 1613/25. To be. Further
requests to forward a copy of this order
to go along with a sketch of the locality



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Letter no G-20393 & 14-8-25 from the DC Tumkur
Forward the sketch of the locality referred to
in 82 above and states that he issued a prohibitory
order in the capacity of the Dist Magistrate and
that he has since issued an order under the
Inl Refⁿ also.

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Sub: The order now issued by the ~~Dist~~ DC Tumkur
under Sectⁿ 174 of the Inl Refⁿ gives the following
reasons for prohibiting the construction of the temple

- 1) there was no need for the temple &
- 2) it is likely to cause injury and annoyance
to the inmates & employees ~~thereof~~ of the
Shri Farm authorities.

~~and~~ 27. Now Govt have to pass orders,
1878 on the Dy Commr's order under Sec 174(3)
of the Mysore Municipal Regn, either upholding
permanently or temporarily or modifying
or rescinding the Dy Commr's order
HK Refce paras 14 & 16

18825 28 The site on which
the temple is proposed to be built
is about 200 ft from the Dy Commr's
quarters & opposite to the road
leading to the Shri Farm. It is
not known if this can be said to
be causing ~~inconvenience~~ ^{inconvenience} to the
Shri Farm authorities. vide para 3 of the

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My letter of Feb 13/25 or likely to
cause harm to the veterinary doctor
a Brahmin gentleman (para 7 of the above
letter). The reason assigned in the
prohibitory order since issued is ^{that} there
was absolutely no need for the construc-
tion of the temple in the place & this is
likely to cause injury or annoyance
to the inmates & employees of the State
Farm. The words used in Dec 1924

(1) are "injury or annoyance to the
public". Please see para 24 of the
order also containing the opinion of the
Sd/- Secy. It is not unusual to
build temples on the road side. Hence
the opinion of the Mad Council should
not be called for for consideration.
In para 5 of his letter of Feb 13/25, the
Sd/- Secy was of opinion that the
members of the Mad Council deserve
some censure. As regards the conduct
of Amildar, the file has been sent
to the Secy as required in para 15 of
the order.

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L. Lacey
25/2/25
The file is
sent to Secy
for reference, please
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from the mil. Council as remarked in para 30 above
for about a month

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Subd for orders for the refce to para 30 above

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The Council have not protected
the order branch may be asked if this
file is wanted; if not, may be closed
for the present.

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Revst) HK
22/1025

The Rev. Cantor report has not yet been received. On receipt
of the report, this file will be obtained for reference, if necessary.
Revised from

23-10-25

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Keep this & remain R.C. for the report

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orders have since been issued in Go no
R 2616/LA 275-25-6 & 20-11-25. The file
of accounts returned to the L.S. & Branch

24-11-25

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Subd for perusal: the orders issued in Rev. Cantor
for para 24.

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- 5 DEC 1925
INDIA SELF GOVT DEPT

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read --

Correspondence ending with letter Ho.C.C.20/24-25 dated
4th November 1925 from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore,
submitting a report on the allegations made against Mr. M.
Ramaswamiya, Amildar, now in Gundlupet Taluk.

Order -- No. R 2616/HR 275-25-6

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20 NOV 1925

Dated Bangalore, the 20 November 1925.

Several anonymous petitions received in the General
and Revenue Secretariat making allegations of corruption
against Mr. M. Ramaswamiya, Amildar, when he was at T.Narsipur,
were forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, for
enquiry and report. The Sub Division Officer, Nanjangud, who
enquired into the matter, has come to the conclusion that the
allegations are baseless. The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore
District and the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, agreeing in this
view, have reported that no action is called for against Mr. Rama-
swamiya beyond a warning for his having taken part in collecting
subscriptions for Girija Kalyanam at T. Narsipur.

It has also been brought to the notice of Government
that Mr. Ramaswamiya acted somewhat in an irresponsible manner
in the matter of granting a license for building Anjaneya temple
in front of the Stud Farm, while he was President of the Municipal
Municipality.

Government are pleased to accept the Revenue Commis-
sioner's recommendation and direct that Mr. Ramaswamiya, who
is transferred to Gundlupet since he warned in respect of the
above acts.

To

The Revenue Commissioner in
Mysore, with records.

Secretary to Government,
-Mysore Revenue Department

Copy to Mr. L. S. G. Branch.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District,

No. C 82/24 25 Dated Tumkur, the 20th January 1925.
En file

1st Feb.

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MUNICIPAL & REVENUE SECRETARY

From

Inl 156-24-1

Mr. Zahiruddin Esq., Esquire., B. A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District.

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To

Mr. M. N.

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B. Nagappa, Esquire., Bar-at-law.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Local & Lewis, Depts
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to bring to the notice of Government the conduct of Mr. M. Ramaswamiya, the previous Amildar of Kunigal, in connection with the grant, on his own responsibility, of license to construct an Anjaneya's temple near the Western gate of the Stud Farm in direct violation of the Government Orders on the subject.

2. The facts are when a stone slab lying under a debris in the house of one Mr. Sivaramiah was accidentally overturned, the people found the Image of Anjaneya thereon. They accordingly set up the slab in the open space near Mr. Sivaramiah's gate, put up a Pandal and began to worship the Anjaneya. After the lapse of about a year thereafter, one Lakshinamoorthy Jais, applied to the President of the Kunigal Municipal Council for permission to construct a new Anjaneya temple near the Taluk --- Office compound. But the Municipal Council in their meeting held on the 2nd March 1922 (Flag A.) resolved not only to -- grant him a license, but strange as it is, gave him the choice of constructing the temple either in Mr. Sivaramiah's compound, where the image was found, or if that place was found insufficient, in front of the vacant place opposite the Stud Farm Gate ---

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gate, although the last mentioned place was not at all
petitioner himself!! The latter readily took the cue from

resolution, and requested the Amildar President for permission
build the temple opposite the Stud Farm Gate, on the plea that Mr
Sivaramaiah's son would not allow the temple near his house (Flag
while this matter was pending consideration by the Managing Committee,
the Amildar Mr. S. Ramaswami, on receipt of a reminder from the
applicant, without waiting for the opinion of the Managing Committee,

on his own responsibility, ordered the immediate issue of the license
which was prepared and delivered to the party on one end the same --
but !! (Flag C.), as will be seen from the Amnada Order dated the
21st March 1923 to the Sanitary Inspector (Enright Es. 2-) under the
signature of the Vice-President, which later on appeared to have been --
reverted back from the license, to show it appears that it was not --
actually delivered (vide his remarks without date, "ready but not --
delivered")!!.

7. The Superintendent of the Stud Farm immediately on his ---
return from Bangalore wrote to the President, requesting him to cancel
the license, on the ground of construction, owing to the narrowness of
the road and the heaviness of traffic would cause great inconvenience
to the public and to the Farm Authorities (Flag D.). The latter
report was brought before the Council on the 22nd April 23, and a --
resolution was passed declining to cancel the license once granted --
after due consideration, in a tone more or less of regret and --
remorse (Flag E.). The Superintendent, Stud Farm again addressed
the Council pointing out, there was no public advantage in shift-
ing the temple from theazaar portion of the street to the Stud Farm
gate, while on the contrary, owing to the locality, being crowded, the
large number of the devotees in large numbers during Shajanas etc., --
at all times serious obstruction to Farm horses, carts and persons
passing, it might result in serious accidents, the danger being --
increased by the frequent visit of motor cars to the Stud Farm,
and the fact that some persons are in the habit of parking --

such places. He also pointed out that there were already 3 -- Anjaneya temples, in a small place like Kunigal, which were in a bad state of neglect, and he could not understand what religious merit there was in allowing the existing temples to collapse and building fresh ones instead. He added that if the Council should still decide to allow the Anjaneya to be shifted as above, he -- would be obliged to bring the matter to the notice of the higher authorities (Flag F.)

It is remarkable that in spite of this second lengthy -- letter of protest, the Municipal Council again resolved in their meeting dated the 25th May 1923 under Mr. Ramaswamiya's presidency, declining to reconsider their decision ! (Flag G.) .

4. On receipt of a communication from the Superintendent of Stud Farm (Flag H.) the Amildar President was requested to submit a detailed report, and to explain how he gave permission -- contrary to the Standing Orders and Circulars of Government, to build a new place of worship without the permission of the --- District Magistrate, and was further asked to suspend all measures adopted for the construction of the temple (Flag H.).

5. In submitting his report dated the 8th June 23 -- (Flag I. extract), it is curious that the President thought it proper to report, that no permission had yet been granted etc., and the petitioner had only collected materials and had merely marked the site for excavating the foundation ! As a matter of fact it is evident from the record that the Amildar, not only issued a license on the 21st March 23, but also gave orders to the Sanitary Inspector to see the temple was constructed within 6 months etc. (Vide flag C.) ! The report was all a deliberate suppression of facts, for when the undersigned visited Kunigal,

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in the presence of the
(unigal, the Farm Superintendent) pointed out the foundation
that had actually been dug, in pursuance of the Amildar's
instructions to hurry up the work !! This accounts in fact
for the second report dated the 10th August 1923 (Flag J.)
stating that the small excavation for the construction of the
temple had been completely filled up, with which the Amildar
followed up his report dated the 8th June 1924, referred to -
above !!

6. In the course of my enquiry it was ascertained --
that the whole matter had been engineered by some of the --
Townspeople with the help and connivance of the Taluk Offi-
cials, who were actuated by motives of revenge and animosity
against the Farm Authorities. It would seem to have been the
long existing practice on the part of these to let loose the
cattle into the Farm grounds for illicit grazing This --
however was put down by the present Superintendent with a --
high hand by impounding all such cattle, some of the Taluk
officials thus having a common grievance with the others in
the matter.

7. At the time of my inspection, the Hindu Farm ---
employees including the Veterinary Doctor and Aiyengar ~~xxxx~~
~~xxx~~ Brahmin gentleman, presented to me that the object of
those interested in this proposal was to cause harm to the --
former by installing the Anjaneya opposite the Stud Farm, as
there was a superstitious belief that this Anjaneya would ---
bring all luck wherever the Image was installed, as is amply
borne out by the refusal of Mr. Ranganra, the late Mr. Siva-
ramiah's son, to allow this Anjaneya to be installed near his
house, as it was believed to have brought ruin on his family!

8. It is a pity that the Taluk Amildar should under such
circumstances, have played into the hands of a section of the

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the [un]iversal public, and should have done his best to further a design which can hardly be called bona fide, in view, --- specially, of the indecent haste with which things were attempted to be pushed on, without any reference whatever to the authorities, whose permission, was required in accordance with Circular Orders Nos. 2528-73 dated the 23th August 71, Nos. 83-14-13 dated the 6th May 1881 and No. 914 M.F. 58-92 D. dated the 6th June 1883. This was clearly an attempt, more or less clandestinely to make a pacca building opposite the Stud Farm, with the Arjaneya. ~~Metall~~ ^{an} accomplished fact", and -- which fell through only because there was no ready response from the general ~~publix~~ body of the public for funds!

It has to be observed that the relations of r. Ramaswamaiya with Captain Aga ohammed Jaffer, the Farm Superintendent were not particularly happy, as is evident from -- certain language the former employed regarding the latter in some official records ! The Amildar President's conduct -- is aggravated by his contradictory reports and denials of facts, as contained in the records furnished by himself, and rendered all the more culpable, as these attempts were directed against the interests of an important Government Department like the Stud Farm!

9. Under the above circumstances, I am strongly of opinion that some notice has to be taken of the conduct of this Amildar, who has handled this affair in a highly irresponsible manner, in defiance of Government Orders, and with utter disregard to the interests of one of the premier institutions in India. In this connection the members of the Municipal Council also deserve some censure, in as much as, in their anxiety to lend their support to the high handed action of the Amildar - President, they failed to exercise proper discretion. I am

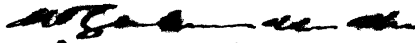
am also of opinion that the construction of the ~~temple~~
site in question, be also prohibited for reasons ~~already~~
-detailed.

10. The records in the case are enclosed herein with
Christ, for perusal and return when no longer required.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,


Deputy Commissioner,
Furnur District.

S.G.P.

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SUBJECT

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 16/2/25

Signed by Mr JHS

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Serial No 2

No L 6604

To The Dy Commr, Tumkur Dist

Sir

With reference to your letter No C 82/24-25 of 1st Feb, 1925 bringing to the notice of Govt the conduct of Mr M Ramaswamiya the previous Amildar of Kuniyal in connection with the grant on his own responsibility of a license to construct Anjaneya's temple near the Western gate of the Stud Farm in direct violation of the Govt orders on the subject etc.

I am directed to ^{state} ~~request~~ that it is presumed that you have taken a copy of your order which is ^{action} ~~presumably~~ under clauses 1+2 of Section 174 of the Mysore Municipality

over

and to request you to be so good as to forward
Regulation may be forwarded of your order to Govt and
for the information of Govt. Submit along with

I am also to request you
to be so good as to furnish Govt.
with a sketch of the locality
showing the position of the Stud
Farm gate with the building
attached to the Farm, the position
of the site on which the temple
is proposed to be constructed
and the surrounding houses together
with the position of the Taluk
Cutcherry and Seetharamiah's
house

I have &c

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for L & C Secy to Govt

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.

Dated Tumkur the 14th August 1925.

From

Gl 20393 Inc

Md. Zahiruddin Mecci, Esquire, B.A.,

Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District

T U M K U R.

12442
18 AUG 1925
GENERAL & REVENUE
LOCAL SELF GOVT. DEPT.

16 AUG 1925
To

B. Nagappa, Esquire, Bar-at-Law,

Inc 156-24-3

Secretary to the Govt. of H.H. the Maharaja

of Mysore, Local & Legislative Departments,

B A N G A L O R E.

SIR,

As desired in your letter No. L. 6604 Ml. 156-24-2 dated the 16th March 1925, re: the conduct of Mr. M. Ramaswamiya the previous Amildar of Kunigal, in connection with the grant on his own responsibility of a license to construct Anjeneya's temple near the western gate of the Stud Farm in direct violation of the Government Orders on the subject, I have the honor to enclose here-in a sketch of the locality showing the several places mentioned in your letter under reply.

2. As regards the action to be taken under clauses 1 & 2 of Section 174 of the Mysore Municipal Regulation, I beg to state that a prohibitory order having already been issued in the capacity of the District Magistrate (vide office copy of the order filed in the records already submitted to Government), a separate order under Municipal Regulation was not issued prohibiting the construction of the temple in question. I have since issued however another order under Municipal Regulation also, copy of which is herewith submitted for the information of Government.

3. I request the favour of final orders in the matter.

I have the honor to be,
sir,
Your most obedient servant.

[Signature]

Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District

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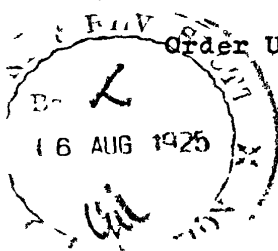
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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.

Dated Tumkur the, 13th August 1925.

See to fl 20393



Order Under Clauses 1 & 2 Section 174 of the Mysore Municipal
Regulation.

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Whereas the undersigned is satisfied that inspite of the protests from the Government Stud Farm Authorities, the Municipal Council, Kunigal issued a license granting permission for the -- construction of an Anjaneya Temple in front of the western gate of the said Stud Farm although there was absolutely no need for the same and that as it is likely to cause injury and annoyance to the inmates and employees thereof, the construction of the said building is hereby prohibited.

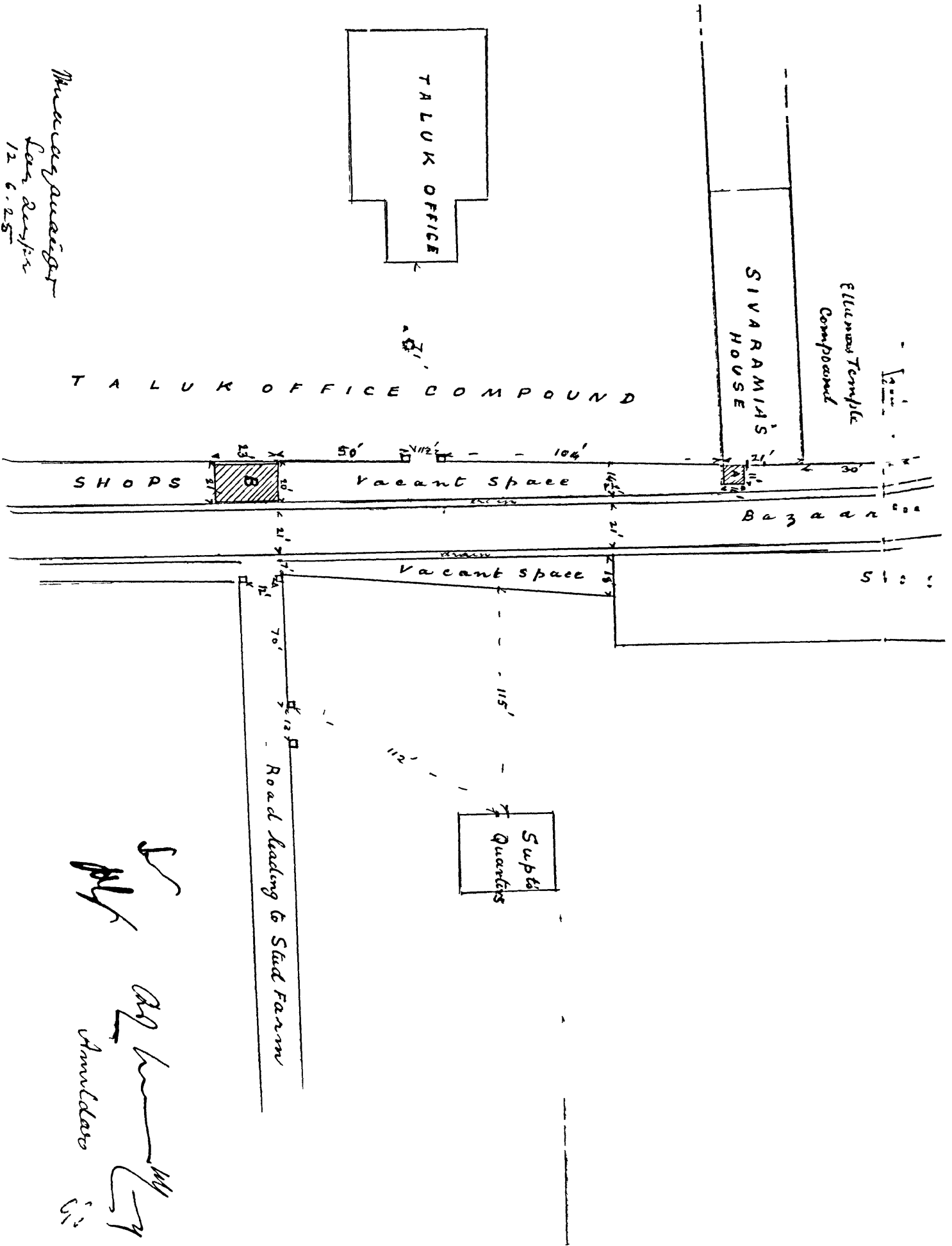
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Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.

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Subd. Quarters
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PLAN SHOWING THE EXISTING
AND PROPOSED SITES OF
SRI ANJANA YA TEMPLE
KUNIGAL TOWN MUNICIPALITY

Scale 40' = 1"

SHOPS

A denotes the existing temple
B " the site proposed to be built

Bangalore Mangalore Road

SHOPS

Kungayak
Temple

Old Christian
School in ruins

Road

SHOPS

0' 11" = 1 inch = 25' map scale
& comparison on ground

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Signed by

Mr. T.K.S

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24407 with the enclosed

To

Mr. De Tumbur

Sir,

I am directed to return
 herewith the records received
 with your letter N.C.82/24-25/25
~~with~~ bringing to the notice of
 Govt the conduct of
 Mr. M. Ramaswamiya the
 previous Amildar of Kuningal
 in connection with the grant of
 a licence to construct
 an Amjany temple
 near the Western gate of
 the Shudharam ~~in the~~
~~vicinity~~ I have to

over
 for the
 L. H. W. 1/25

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